# **APPENDIX**

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2003-00029 DATED February 17, 2004.

### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

#### BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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LOUISVILLE GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY)

OUTSIDE CASE NO. 2003-00029

ALLEGED FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS

## SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This Agreement is made and entered this 30 day of December, 2003 by and between the Staff of the Public Service Commission of Kentucky ("Commission Staff") and Louisville Gas and Electric Company ("LG&E").

#### WITNESSETH:

in the Matter of:

807 KAR 5:041, SECTION 3

WHEREAS, Commission Staff issued a Utility Accident Investigation Report ("Investigation Report") detailing its investigation of an incident involving Bennie Hudson, an employee of B&B Electric Company, Inc., who was performing work for LG&E on a transmission line owned and maintained by LG&E. On November 17, 2003, Mr. Hudson was injured when the overhead static wire he was removing contacted a three -phase 69 KV transmission line.

WHEREAS, Commission Staff in its Investigation Report alleged that LG&E failed to comply with the National Electric Safety Code (1990 Edition) and that this failure constituted probable violations of Commission Regulations 807 KAR 5:041, Section 3:

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2003, the Public Service Commission ("Commission") found that <u>prima facie</u> evidence existed that LG&E had failed to comply with Commission Regulations 807 KAR 5:041, Section 3;

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2003, the Commission entered a show cause Order in Case No. 2003-00029 ordering LG&E to show cause why it should not be subject to the penalties of KRS 278.990 for its alleged violation of Commission Regulations;

WHEREAS, LG&E filed its response to the show cause Order and requested an informal conference with Commission Staff which was held at the Commission's offices on July 15, 2003; and

WHEREAS, LG&E and Commission Staff desire to settle the issues raised by this proceeding:

NOW, THEREFORE, LG&E and Commission Staff agree that:

- 1. Within 10 days after the entry of an Order approving this Settlement Agreement, LG&E shall pay to the Commonwealth of Kentucky the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500). This payment shall be in the form of a cashier's or certified check made payable to "Treasurer, Commonwealth of Kentucky" and shall be mailed or delivered to: Office of General Counsel, Public Service Commission of Kentucky, 211 Sower Boulevard, Post Office Box 615, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.
- This Agreement is subject to the acceptance of, and the approval by, the Commission.
- 3. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as an admission of a violation of any Commission regulation or any provision of the NESC by LG&E; nor shall the

Commission's acceptance of this Agreement be construed as a finding of a violation of Commission regulation or any provision of the NESC.

4. If the Public Service Commission fails to accept and approve this

Settlement Agreement in its entirety, this proceeding shall go forward and neither the

terms of this Agreement nor any matters raised during settlement negotiations shall be

binding on either signatory.

5. If the Public Service Commission accepts and adopts this Settlement in its

entirety and enters an order in this proceeding to that effect, LG&E shall not apply for

rehearing in this proceeding nor bring an action for review of that Order.

6. Commission Staff shall recommend to the Public Service Commission that

this Agreement be accepted and approved.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, LG&E and Commission Staff have executed this

Agreement the day and year first above written by and through their duly authorized

attorneys.

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